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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of:) Examiner: A. Soderquist
Edward L. Carver, Jr.) Group Art Unit: 1743
on: APPARATUS FOR MAKING A PLURALITY)
OF REAGENT MIXTURES AND ANALYZING)
PARTICLE DISTRIBUTIONS OF THE)
REAGENT MIXTURES)
Serial No.: 09/039,789)
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Applicant petitions for a one-month extension of time in order to file a
response to the Office Action so that the extended deadline for filing a response will be
August 14, 2000.

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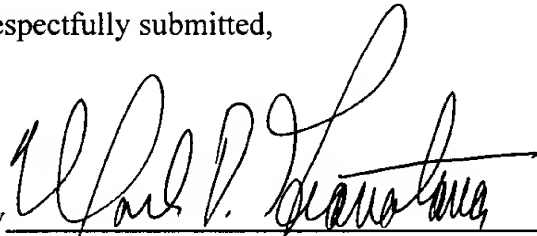
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Respectfully submitted,

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